

Field Medical Training Battalion- East

The following slides provide a synopsis of what life is like while attending a course of instruction at FMTB.

It is not a complete representation of everything that is taught.



Arrival



Sailors begin their orientation in dungarees, await assignment to their platoons, and are introduced to the principles of Operational Risk Management (ORM).

Gear Issue



Sailors are issued their initial gear for service with the Marine Corps Operating Forces and are instructed on how to pack, wear, and use the gear.

Physical Conditioning



Emphasis is placed on physical conditioning immediately upon arrival....

Military Discipline



Marine Corps knowledge, Close Order Drill, Military Customs and Courtesies are also taught.

Didactic Training



Classroom training occurs daily with 5 scheduled exams covering medical and general military knowledge. One final practical exam is required on casualty assessment in Tactical Combat Casualty Care.

Medical Training



Medical training ranging from starting intravenous lines, intraosseous lines (using torso models), burn and hemorrhage control are also taught.

Field Sanitation



Sailors receive training on field sanitation and hygiene.

MCMAP



Marine Corps Martial Arts Program (MCMAP) is training every Sailor receives. Students will have the opportunity to qualify as a Tan Belt.

Safety



Safety is critical! Before every training evolution the students receive a safety brief and have the opportunity to ask questions.

Hikes



Students hike over 25 miles during the course with a full combat load weighing 70 lbs.

Obstacle Course



The Obstacle Course provides a physical challenge for all.

Litter “O” Course



The Litter Obstacle Course teaches the basics of navigating through a field terrain with a 150 pound patient with great emphasis on team work.

RP's



Religious Program Specialists (RP's) receive training in the operation of the High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV) and receive their operators license as part of their training.

Religious Ministries



RP's learn how to set up and properly support Religious Ministries in a field and combat environment.

Combat Water Survival



RP's participate in Combat Water Survival as part of their training.

Gas Chamber



All Sailors are trained in Nuclear, Biological and Chemical warfare and go through the gas chamber as part of their training.

Weapons Training



Weapons training is part of the curriculum. Students have the opportunity to qualify up to Expert with the M-4 rifle (USMC Standards).

Field Week



Treating casualties in a field environment is a primary goal of FMTB. Students are given an opportunity to practice what they have learned during the field week.

Convoy Ops



Convoy operations and immediate action drills are trained and exercised.

IED Training



Training on identifying and reacting to Improvised Explosive Devices (IED's) and how to defeat them is covered in the didactic curriculum and exercised in the field.

Simulation Lab



All students participate in Simulation Lab exercises where realistic casualties including computerized manikins and live actors use moulage to simulate actual battlefield injuries.

Field Medicine

Realism is added
through simulated
casualties in a
field environment.



Ethics



Sailors are trained in Medical Ethics and cultural sensitivity and learn to treat foreign national casualties in a combat environment. Notice a female Corpsman treating a simulated female casualty!

Graduation Day



After 8 weeks of training, Graduation day arrives and Sailors are off to their permanent duty station armed with the tools to continue learning with the Operating Forces...